

# COX BAND BOOSTERS MEETING

**JANUARY 12, 2015**

Meeting called to order at 7:04 with Ron Finelli presiding. Board members present: Nancy Lambert Treasurer, Donna Troici Secretary, Meghan Mathews VP, Mike Lane Director. Also present; Fred Morgenstern, Christina Tribby, Lillian & Caty Barber, Dale & Susie Smith, Bill Tarter, Liz Brown, Laurie Lindsey, Sarah Trout and Colleen Oates.

**Band Booster President Comments:** Ron Finelli welcomed everyone.

**Band Director's Comments:** Mr. Lane thanked everyone for attending. He reported we are gearing up for Concert band Assessment in March. Remember Wind Ensemble practices Tuesday nights and Symphonic band practices after school on Thursdays. We will be hosting the district band event in February and we will need some parents to help with the hospitality on Thursday, Friday and Saturday and concessions on Friday and Saturday. We also had 25 kids make the district band. The concert band camp on Feb. 13 and 14 will have guest conductor from Grafton high school as well as some private instructors from the fleet forces band.

## **Upcoming Events**

**Jan. 14** – Middle school orientation

**Feb. 5,6,7** – District Band event

**Feb. 13/14** - Concert Band Camp

**Feb.23** – Pre-Assessment Concert with Great Neck Middle @ 6:30pm

**March 13/14** – Concert band assessments (time to be determined)

**Review Minutes from last meeting:** Steve Kanter made a motion to approve the minutes and Laura Kanter seconded. All agreed, minutes approved.

**Treasurers Report:** Nancy Lambert reported the checking account balance as of the end of December is \$25,157.93. We had a huge credit card bill paid in December for \$9,000 due to a billing cycle change. Also the marching uniforms were already dry cleaned and back to a cost of \$600.

## **Old Business:**

**Concessions:** Donna Troici reported we had a wonderful response to the request for concessions this week when the initial volunteer was unable to work. Also we only have Jan. 15 and Feb. 9 open for volunteers. Thank you for your overwhelming support this year.

**BJ's Fundraiser:** Please remember to contact Carol Gardener if you would like to renew or apply for a new BJ's membership. The band will receive \$5 for every renewed membership and \$10 for every new membership. Her email is [cgardener@bjs.com](mailto:cgardener@bjs.com) and phone is (757)717-8386.

**Cookie Dough:** Still waiting until April to do the cookie dough fundraiser.

**Disney Trip:** Cancelled due to lack of participation. In the past we had joint trips with the chorus and orchestra, but this year we were going to do our own trip, but unfortunately only 32 people paid their deposit and to take just 32 people would put the fee up to over \$800. Therefore the trip was cancelled.

**Spring Craft Bazaar:** Meghan Mathews reported the Spring Craft Bazaar will be held on March 21, 2015. We already have 29 paid vendors. We will also be holding a bake sale and will need donations. More info to come at the next meeting.

**New Business:**

Fred Morgenstern and Steve Kanter expressed concern over no Spring trip. Steve mentioned the idea of a cruise out of Norfolk and Fred mentioned the idea of having the kids do a fundraiser and putting funds in an account to help pay for their trip. It was explained by Mr. Lane and Nancy Lambert that any trip organized through the school would have to have an educational component. Also the fact that we are considered a non-profit organization we are not allowed to have separate deposits from fundraisers to a specific child per the tax laws. The possibilities of a trip were going to be researched and presented at the next meeting.

**Next Meeting: Feb.9, 2015 at 7:00pm**

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:27pm**